



EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory forever!

August 10, 2025

Slava Isusu Christu!
Slava vo v'iki!

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

VIGIL OF THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Aug. 09 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Aug. 10 9:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Dn. Peter by Epiphany Parish

Tenth Week after Pentecost

Tues Aug. 12 10:00 AM Health & God's Blessings on Lucie Cantsilieris by
Jamie Bacigalupi

DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS-OBLIGATION

Fri. Aug. 15 10:00 AM Intention of Parishioners
7:30 PM God's blessings for Nikita Fedkin and Jasmine Zakout

VIGIL OF THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sat. Aug 16 5:00 PM Intention of Parishioners

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sun. Aug. 17 9:00 AM +Carl Smearman by Kevin & Holly Hogan
3:00 PM Fedkin-Zakout Wedding

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Aug. 16 5:00 PM R. Maurice (L)

Sun. Aug. 17 9:00 AM R. Riley (L), P. Cooke, A. Naccash, J. Ricca

USHERS SCHEDULE

Sat. Aug. 16 5:00 PM Volunteers

Sun. Aug. 17 9:00 AM Volunteers

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD Byzantine Catholic Church

The Sacraments – Our Life in Christ

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation. Baptism, Chrismation, Holy Eucharist. We follow the command of the Lord to baptize in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:19). Chrismation (Confirmation) and Holy Eucharist (First Holy Communion) are imparted at the same time immediately following baptism.

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Infants – is scheduled at the Divine Liturgy on Saturdays or Sundays during the year except certain fast periods. Sponsors must be Catholics in good standing and supply a sponsor card attesting to that from their parish. While two Catholics in good standing is usual, one baptized non-Catholic can function as a Christian Witness with the Catholic sponsor. Both must be at least sixteen years of age. This is a period of spiritual formation. Please see the priest or deacon. Details are available at the parish office.

Mysteries (Sacraments) of Initiation of Adults – follows a period of catechumenate.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Crowning in Marriage – According to the Pastoral Policy and Guidelines for Marriage Preparation for the Catholic Church in New Jersey, couples wishing to marry must inform the pastor one year before the date of the wedding and be free to marry in the Catholic Church. They will meet with the priest and deacon in four sessions—to begin the Pre-Nuptial Questionnaire, to take FOCCUS, a communication, values, and religious inventory approved for use in the Catholic dioceses/eparchies, to complete the Pre-Nuptial Questionnaire, and for a session on the Theology of the Mystery (Sacrament). They are also required to attend Pre-Cana Conference.

Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance – The Mystery (Sacrament) of Repentance is regularly available each Saturday 11:30 AM to 12:00 Noon. In addition, confessions are heard during the Christmas Fast (Advent) and the Great Fast (Lent) at other scheduled times. Visiting confessors are also scheduled at special times during the Great Fast. Confessions are also heard on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Great and Holy Week. Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life-endangering medical conditions as well as those who are to undergo surgery should avail themselves of confession at church or home where there is more privacy.

Anointing of the Sick – Parishioners who are seriously ill and those with life-threatening medical conditions as well as those who are to undergo surgery should avail themselves of the Sacrament of Penance and Anointing of the Sick. If surgery is scheduled, please consider confession and anointing at the church or at your home rather than the hospital since there is more privacy for confession and less chance for interruption. If you are unable to come to church or are at the hospital, family members should contact the rectory so Father can anoint at the hospital.

Holy Communion and Visitation of the Sick – Holy Communion is brought to our parishioners who are ill at the hospital or at home by the deacons on Sundays and at other time by arrangement. Please contact the deacons or the rectory office by Friday prior to the Sunday communion visitation.

Funeral Services – The Office of Christian Burial is offered in ways to accommodate the needs of the family. The Epiphany Ladies Guild as part of their charity offers a Mercy Meal for families at the Parish Center following the interment. Epiphany of our Lord cemetery are two portions of Fairfax Memorial Park. Parishioners who are interested in purchasing cemetery plots should see Deacon Peter Turko.

Byzantine Catholic Mission of Montgomery County Maryland – Divine Liturgy Sunday 10:00 AM. Epiphany Mission Chapel 9301 Warfield Road, Gaithersburg, MD. Phone (301) 482-0282.

Parish Administration

“The Church is not an organization with sacraments but a Sacrament with organization.”

Parish Clergy

Very Rev. John G. Basarab, Pastor
Deacon Elmer Pekarik, Deacon Peter Turko

Parish Council of Administration

Emil Koval, Sally Green

Parish Office Staff

Jamie Bacigalupi, Administrative Assistant
Lucie Cantsilieris, Financial Assistant

Parish Office Hours: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM Monday – Friday

School of Religion – Eastern Catholic Formation-School of Religion classes meet on Sundays after the 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy (10:30-11:30) throughout the school year (September -June). Classes are offered for Pre-school & Kindergarten-High School.

Bulletin – Announcements may be brought to the office or faxed (703-573-1088) or emailed to epiphanyofourlord3420@gmail.com.

Parish Registration – Individuals who wish to register should visit the parish office and complete a confidential census form.

Parish Website <https://eolbcc.com>

Mission Website: <https://eolmission.com>

Epiphany does not conduct pastoral business on the website. Submissions to the website are made through the parish office.

9th Sunday after Pentecost

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August 10, 2025

TITHING & GIVING

Sunday, August 3, 2025

Adults	\$2,709.00
Building Fund	\$ 765.00
Candles	\$ 96.00
BCY	\$ 5.00
SOR	\$ 57.00
Holydays	\$140.00
St. Nicholas	\$ 6.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,778.00

Tithely July 2025- Total by Category

Offertory	\$2,388.80
Building Fund	\$00.00
Less Bank Charge	\$82.20
TOTAL	\$2,306.60

“The king, however, replied: ‘I cannot sacrifice to the LORD my God offerings that cost me nothing.’”

(2 Samuel 24:24)

Envelope donations for the Building Fund, BCY, SOR, and St. Nicholas Fund are deposited into Epiphany's General Account then transferred to their respective bank accounts quarterly. None of these items are part of the General Fund.

BINGO IS BACK TWICE A MONTH

Have you seen our web site?

Visit www.emcbingo.com

Next Session Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Bingo Session Net Profit

7/15/25 – \$5,067.00

LITURGY AND LIFE

Please remember in prayer: Msgr. George Dobes, Ed Gubanich, Caroline Zurun, John Vernoski, Marge Rusnak, Steve Seman, Damon Seman, Jack Figel, Jessica Polink, John Anthon, Kimberly Snow, Michael Maskarinec, Michael Hamas, Michele Horosko, and Thomas Soyka. Please pray for these relatives and friends of our parishioners: Eileen Gray, Mike Shuster, Greg Starr, Florence Kunder, Kelly Kunder, Francine O’Leary, Russell Plasha, Margaret Hospodar, John Ryaby III, Guillermina Donalson, Steve Smith, Caleb Joseph Lugo, *Mary Catherine Bishop, Samuel Gaush, Joshua Bacigalupi, Dr. John Feola, Lisa Fazio Rhodes, Jayden Ramos Jimenez, James Bacigalupi, and Larry Dowdy.

Prayers for our Parishioners. The particular Law of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church directs that “the pastor is to celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish entrusted to him on Sundays and days of precept (holydays of obligation) (canon 294). This liturgy intention for parishioners is “For the Intention of Parishioners.” The faithful who attend the Divine Liturgy for the parishioners participate, according to their state, in praying for that intention. We can continue to pray for our parishioners by several parishioners in our daily prayers each week. This week please remember Marlene Plasha Dana, Gregory and Caroline Davidowich, Connor Delaney, Erin Delaney, Andrea Delaney – Youarsky and Glenn Delaney, David Dereska, Lynn Doering and from the Mission, Nathan Radko.

Dormition Fast. The Dormition Fast began August 1st and continues to August 14th, the eve of the feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos. The traditional prescriptions of this brief fast is a strict fast except Saturdays and Sundays. In the United States, the aspects of the Fast are left to the individual.

Dormition of the Mother of God. The Dormition is a holyday of obligation for all Catholics. Flowers, plants, medicinal herbs, and medicines will be blessed at the Divine Liturgies.

Decree on the Sacrament of Penance. Bishop Kurt Burnette issued a Decree, dated May 1, 2025, regarding cell phones and the Sacrament of Penance (Confession). The Bishop orders: “All cell phones, both belonging to the priest or to a penitent must be left outside the confessional or be powered off. It is not enough to have it silenced.

The Great Entrance. After explaining the historical and the theological meanings of the Liturgy of the Word, St. Germanus next explains the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

To accomplish this interpretation, St. Germanus will treat two aspects: the work Christ accomplished on earth as re-presented in the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and then through pulling back the curtain of heaven and revealing that what is being done here on earth is actually participating in the Liturgy going on perpetually in heaven.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist continues after the Great Entrance when our gifts of bread and wine were placed on the Holy Table, and the Symbol of Faith (The Creed). Then the deacon, like the Angel at the tomb, recounts the three days of the Passion and Resurrection and the people assent. The priest having called the people to raise their minds to heaven, the people assent, “We have them lifted up to the Lord.” The priest calls everyone to Eucharist, that is, Thanksgiving, and the people assent: “It is proper and just.”

Now, St. Germanus explains, the priest stands before the throne of God and speaks, one-to-One to God. He stands between the two Cherubim and says that the four creatures surrounding God’s throne which Ezekiel saw (Ezekiel 1:10, ox, lion, eagle, man) sing, shout, cry out, and say (the sound each of the four creatures makes) and calls the people to join in the hymn Isaiah heard the Seraphim sing before the throne of God in heaven, “Holy holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts.” Now the deacons take the fans with the images of the Seraphim and wave them.

(From the Mystagogy of St. Germanus of Constantinople +733)

The Voskresenije (Resurrection) Choir! The choir will sing the fourth Sunday of each month. The Resurrection Choir will sing again Sunday, August 24, 2025. If interested in becoming a member of the choir, please call, text, or email Michael Sirotniak at 703-776-0595 MichaelSirotniak@gmail.com.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Slavic American Festival. The Slavic American Festival will take place Sunday September 7, 2025. Parishioners and parish staff are busy with preparations for this our 53rd festival! The festival opens to the public at 12:00 noon and closes this year at 5:00 PM. The fun includes bounce houses and games for the children, a raffle, a live band playing polka music and more, silent auction, rummage sale, bake sale, Bookstore, unique ethnic items for purchase, halupki, halushki, kielbasa, and much, much more. See the Festival News insert in the bulletin.

Epiphany Men's Club. EMC August meeting is today Sunday, August 10, 2025. The meeting will begin at the back of the Hall immediately following the conclusion of 9 am Liturgy. Food and beverages will be provided.

ELG Meeting. There will be an Epiphany Ladies Guild meeting on Monday, September 1st. We'll have refreshments starting at 7pm, followed by the meeting at 7:30pm.

Epiphany Church Web Site. Please note, the parish address is no longer eolbcc.org. It is now <https://eolbcc.com>. Please adjust your search and phone app.

Office Schedule. The Parish Office will be closed Friday, August 15th, in observance of the Dormition of the Theotokos, a Holy Day of Obligation for Eastern and Latin Catholics. Office hours will resume on Monday, August 18, 2025.

Weekly Office Schedule.

<u>Mon. 8/11</u>	<u>Tues. 8/12</u>	<u>Wed. 8/13</u>	<u>Thurs 8/14</u>	<u>Fri. 8/15</u>
Lucie	Jamie	Lucie	Lucie/Jamie	Office Closed

EPARCHIAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mid-Atlantic States Syncellate Wedding Anniversary Celebration The wedding anniversary Celebration for married couples observing their five-year anniversary. i.e. 5th, 10th, 15th, will be held October 11, 2025, at Epiphany of our Lord Church. If you are celebrating one of these five-year anniversaries, please notify Jamie so you may receive an invitation from the Eparchy. We will need to confirm your address, phone number, and marriage date. If you were married in a year that ends in five or zero, we need to hear from you now whether you know if you will attend or not so that Jamie can order the invitations.

Labor Day Weekend Pilgrimage. Sister Susan Sisko, provincial, and the Sisters of St. Basil the Great invite you to Mt. St. Macrina, Uniontown, PA, for the 91st Annual Pilgrimage to the Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, August 29- September 1st. Since 1934, pilgrims have come to the holy mount to venerate her icon and to place before her all their needs, their hopes, their sorrows, and their joy into her hands. Abundant opportunities for the Sacrament of Penance, Sacrament of Holy Anointing, and Divine Liturgy and reception of Holy Communion.

MISSION

Mission Liturgy Schedule.

Day	Date	Time	Celebrant
Sun.	Aug. 10	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.
Thurs.	Aug. 14	7:00 PM	Father John Basarab
Sun.	Aug. 17	10:00 AM	Father Daniel Grigassy, O.F.M.

Prayer Intentions: Louis Shanks, Rick Neimiller, Vince Kovalick, Marie Shanks, and Michael Hamas.

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Financials:

July 2025 Collection Total	July 2025 Expenses Total	Monthly Overage/Deficit
\$2,146.	\$2,151.76	(-5.76)
	Tithely July 2025 – Total by Category	
	Total Donations \$179.43	
	<u>Less Bank Charges \$4.73</u>	
	Net Donations	\$175.00

Sunday, July 6, Collection \$795
 Sunday, July 13, Collection \$1,040
 Sunday, July 20, Collection \$311

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PARISH USTAV

**The Order for the Divine Liturgy for
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
Postfestive Day of Transfiguration. Holy Martyr and Achdeacon Lawrence of Rome**

BLUE	p. 11	Mark and Follow Ordinary Parts of the Divine Liturgy
GREEN	p. 161	Resurrection Tone 8
RED	p. 346	Transfiguration

ALL MELODIES FOR THIS SUNDAY ARE: D
EXCEPT: Our Father

1. The Divine Liturgy begins on page 11 BLUE
2. Antiphons 1 and 2 of the Feast of the Transfiguration. P. 346 RED
3. Daily Antiphon 3 with the refrain p. 350 RED
4. At the Troparia:
 - Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 8, p. 161 GREEN
 - Troparion, Transfiguration Tone 7 p. 347 RED
 - Kontakion of the Transfiguration Tone 7 p. 348 RED
5. Scripture Readings
 - Prokeimenon Resurrection Tone 8, p. 162 GREEN and Transfiguration p, 348 RED
 - Epistle: I Corinthians 3:9-17
 - Alleluia Resurrection Tone 8 p. 163 GREEN and Transfiguration p, 348 RED
 - Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34
6. Instead of It is truly proper, Magnification of Transfiguration p 349 RED
7. Communion Hymn of Sunday